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TITLE: FILTER DEVICE AND PROCESS

**AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO FIRST OFFICE ACTION**

MAIL STOP FEE AMENDMENT  
Honorable Commissioner of Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Dear Sir:

In response to the First Office Action dated October 3, 2003, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 9 of this paper.